

I strongly support the "narrowband modes only" band segment proposed by RM-10352 for the 160 meter amateur radio service.

As a RF Communications Systems Engineer with 20 years experience and an Amateur Extra Class licensee since 1968, I am well aware of the unique radio propagation challenges presented in the 1800-2000 KHz frequency range. This frequency range is essential for experimentation with the new spectrum-efficient narrowband modes, yet it remains the only amateur band without a specific narrowband-only allocation. Amateur activity in this band was suppressed for many years due to primary allocation of the spectrum to the now obsolete LORAN-A radionavigation service. Amateur activity has markedly increased since the phase-out of LORAN-A. It is now time to bring the 160 meter amateur band allocation into the 21st century and into coherent regulatory alignment with all the other amateur bands.

I urge the Commission to continue promoting spectrum efficiency experimentation in the Amateur Service by acting in favor of RM-10352.

Respectfully,  
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